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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION

To Select Delegates to the State, Circuit Judicial and Senatorial Conventions

The delegates elected in the several townships and wards in Knox county at the primary held May 17, 1916, will meet in a county convention at the court house in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, on

Saturday, June 4, 1916, at 1 o'clock, p. m.

For the purpose of selecting delegates to represent the Democracy of Knox county in the State convention, the Circuit Judicial convention and the Senatorial convention, as follows:

Nine delegates and nine alternates to the Democratic State convention, to be held at Dayton on June 21 and 22.

Nine delegates and nine alternates to the Circuit Judicial convention, to be held at Coshocton on June 23.

Forty-three delegates and forty-three alternates to the Senatorial convention, to be held at Millersburg on June 7.

The several townships and wards are entitled to the number of delegates in the county convention as follows:

Berlin	5
Brown	5
Butler	5
Clay	5
Clinton	5
Mt. Vernon, First Ward	10
Mt. Vernon, Second Ward	10
Mt. Vernon, Third Ward	8
Mt. Vernon, Fourth Ward	9
College	5
Harrison	5
Hilliar	5
Howard	5
Jackson	5
Jefferson	5
Liberty	5
Middlebury	5
Millard	5
Miller	5
Monroe	5
Morgan	5
Morris	5
Pike	5
Pleasant	5
Union	5
Wayne	5

By order of the Democratic county central committee.

JOHN CUNNINGHAM, Chairman.

C. W. McKEE, Secretary.

CLUNG TO THE MACHINE COG

Commenting upon the final adjournment of the legislature a Republican paper referred to the Langdon tax commission bill as "the crowning achievement of the session."

In some respects it was. It dispensed with all but one of the numerous state taxing boards which were composed ex-officio of state officers who have not more time than is needed to attend strictly to the duties of the offices to which they are elected. The abolishing of these boards and substituting therefor one state commission to devote its entire time to the administration and enforcement of the state's tax laws is a long step forward. It is the step Governor Harmon urged this legislature to take during the special session a year ago, when his advice was opposed by Republican members of the legislature who called the governor a "peanut politician" and accused him of "playing politics."

The one state board retained is that which seems to be an indispensable part of the state political machine engineered by the g. o. p. bosses. It is the board consisting of the state auditor, state treasurer, secretary of state and attorney-general (three of whom are Republicans) for appointing city board of tax review. Had the people of Ohio elected Democrats to all four

of these offices in 1908 the Republican majority in the legislature would have fought desperately to take from them the authority to appoint these local boards and confer it upon the state tax commission with words if not weighty arguments to "take the tax system entirely out of politics."

In his message at the opening of this session Governor Harmon recommended: "The principle of home rule, as well as obvious reasons of policy, requires the replacement of the city boards of review by others to be appointed by the mayor. The present system, which places the appointments in the hands of three state officers, has met with general disfavor."

By retaining the present method of controlling such appointments as a powerful wheel within the many wheels of the g. o. p. state machine the Republican members of the legislature have demonstrated beyond dispute that they are the real "peanut politicians," and have convicted themselves of "playing politics."

As much as is good in the Langdon tax commission bill may be set down to the credit of Governor Harmon's policies and an aroused public demand for taxation reform.

As much as is due to the dominating influence of the g. o. p. bosses may be set down to the discredit of the Republican majority in the legislature.

As "a crowning achievement" the Langdon tax commission bill is not exactly what Governor Harmon advised, but it is the best he could get at the hands of the hostile partisan majority in the legislature.

MORE ABOUT THE FRUIT CROP

Whenever the winds blow cold in the spring, the white frost appears in the early morning and the rains seem a little more wet and penetrating than usual, there comes a warning sound which conveys the alarming declaration that the fruit crop is ruined.

The United States agricultural department conducted a series of experiments in order to learn the point in temperature at which fruit blossoms gave up the ghost and dropped from the trees. It was found that the amount of cold which blossoms will withstand varies as follows:

Apples, showing pink, 20 above zero.
Apples, in full bloom, 26 above zero.
Pears, showing pink, 20 above zero.
Pears, in full bloom, 27 above zero.
Peaches, showing pink, 23 above zero.

Peaches, in full bloom, 28 above zero.

The lowest temperature recorded by the local weather bureau during the present cold spell was 34 above zero, or two degrees above the freezing, and six above the point where peach trees in full bloom are blighted.
—Toledo Daily Blade.

FEATURES

For Opening Of Hiawatha Park Announced

That the new management of Hiawatha park the Hiawatha Park association company is in earnest about the future development and standing of this once popular place of amusement and it goes without saying everything is being done that will beautify this place before the public are invited to inspect it and a transformation scene will greet them on the 25th day of May, opening day.

Col. L. G. Hunt, superintendent of the park, on yesterday booked Dare Devil Dash for two performances on the opening day. This is one of the most daring acts ever performed in public by any mid-air artist, consisting of a dash of a bicycle down a one hundred foot ladder seventy-five feet from the ground freeing himself from the bike in mid-air and diving into a tank of water. The evening performance will be his wonderful fire dive; nothing like it has ever been seen in this section before. In addition to this hair-raising act Professor Walter W. Raub will make two balloon ascensions during the day and night—the one in day time will be a double parachute leap and the night ascension will be accompanied with fire works in mid air and parachute leap.

A fine merry-go-round will be on the grounds for the children and the big folks, dancing at the pavilion, boating, bathing, and tobogganing in the lake, base ball and athletics, in fact every amusement that can be installed the company proposes to place there for the patrons before the opening day.

The John B. Willis Musical Comedy Company of eighteen people, and said to be one of the best on the road, will open the theatre and occupy the boards during the entire week with change of program each day. The management have arranged with the Buckeye Booking agency to book the theatre during the season and they promise our people nothing but first-class attractions, and the Park company will not permit any immoral shows or other features in the amusement line that do not meet the approval of cultured patrons.

VITAL WASHINGTON NEWS

TAVENNER, "WRITER AND THINKER," GIVES US THE FACTS AS THEY REALLY EXIST.

(By Tavenner)

Washington, May 12.—The Democrats, assisted by a handful of fighting progressive Republicans, have forced the administration to abandon some of the worst of the corporation-serving clauses placed in the railroad regulation bill by Attorney General Wickersham.

Wickersham framed this bill after a conference with six railroad presidents. Wall street knew long in advance of the public appearance of the bill that it would be so drawn as to annul the Sherman anti-trust law. Railroad interests bought and sold stock on the strength of their advance information.

Had the railroad regulation bill become a law as prepared by Wickersham, it would have practically destroyed all that has been accomplished in the last twenty years to give the government some measure of control over the railroads of the country.

No attorney general of the United States has ever been revealed in just the position Mr. Wickersham now occupies.

Instead of having drawn a bill that would tend to place greater safeguards about the rights of the people of the United States, as might naturally be expected from a public officer who is receiving a salary on the assumption that he is giving such protection to the people, Wickersham has been charged on the floor of the Senate with having attempted to take from the masses even such inadequate safeguards as they now enjoy, while at the same time giving the corporate interests the right to merge and do other things that the Sherman law has forbidden them from doing.

At the time of Wickersham's appointment it was asserted that he had been selected by President Taft in deference to the wishes of the corporations of the country, who had spent money and coerced workmen to vote the Republican ticket, and who demanded as compensation for this service the privilege of naming the attorney general.

The unusual interest of special privilege in this office may be realized at full value when it is understood that the attorney general is in absolute charge of the prosecuting machinery of the government.

Whether Wickersham's appointment really was the result of a pre-election arrangement or not, the trusts have had no occasion to be dissatisfied with the President's selection. Whenever the rights of the people and special privileges come into conflict, Mr. Wickersham decides favorably to the corporate interests and against the people. This is what the records of his office show.

President Taft has reached the conclusion the progressives are bad, bad men. He complains they visit him at the White House and assure him of their great personal respect and well-wishes, and then go to the Capitol and vote against his railroad regulation bill.

"Why do you act this way?" a progressive Republican was asked. "Do you not respect the President of the United States?"

"I respect the President, both personally and officially," was the reply. "But I have even more respect for the welfare of 90,000,000 people of this country. The President sends the Congress a railroad regulation bill which the best authorities say absolutely annuls the Sherman anti-trust law, which is the only safe-guard the people now have against the combining of the big railroads. Along with this bill comes the ultimatum that our vote on the measure will be considered a test of our Republicanism. We are desirous of showing all proper respect for the President, but as between serving our conscience or the President, we are put to the painful necessity of forsaking the President temporarily and of voting against his railroad bill."

The recently "reformed" House Committee on Rules is proving to be as secure a catacomb for proposed legislation antagonized by the special interests as was the old Rules committee of which Speaker Cannon was chairman. Not a single resolution which might adversely affect unlawful combinations such as the sugar

trust has been reported favorably by the new committee. Cannon dominates the reformed body just as effectively as he did the old Rules committee. So far as practical results are concerned, it is difficult to see what the common people gained by the enlarging the committee and the elimination of the Speaker.

Attorney General Wickersham has given out two more of his famous opinions. One holds that the Secretary of War cannot lawfully refuse to award a contract for Panama canal supplies to the lowest responsible bidder simply because such bidder has been adjudged in court to be a party to an unlawful trust and monopoly. The other opinion holds that Public Printer Donnelly has no right to abolish certain branches of the government printing office simply because he thinks they are unnecessary and that he wishes to economize.

The report that Roosevelt had written letters to President Taft, Son-in-law Longworth and others, endorsing the Taft administration, was given wide publicity by the Republican press. Careful inquiry brings out the fact that all of the persons mentioned in the story emphatically deny having received such a letter. And Roosevelt declares that he did not write anything that could have with reason been so construed.

During the first three days of May the government spent \$2,602,063.81 more than it took in. This would indicate that the new tariff law is a failure inasmuch as it is not producing sufficient revenue to meet the expenses of the government.

President Taft's definition of a good Republican is a member of Congress who will vote for legislation endorsed by the President whether said Congressman believes the legislation would be good for the country or not.

A CONCERT

To Be Given Under Auspices Of Woman's Christian Association

At the last meeting of the Woman's Christian Association it was decided to give an entertainment to raise money to carry on their work as the general fund is very low. In addition to maintaining the Home for the Aged this society also conducts a free kindergarten for children under school age whose mothers are obliged to work for their support. There is room for a few more pupils and applicants are requested to call at the school in the basement of the public library where they will be heartily welcomed. The society also extends a helping hand to all who are in trouble or distress and any one knowing of a case of destitution is urged to report it to the matron at the Home for the Aged and prompt assistance will be given. It is hoped that in the future the society will be able to secure a fund for the care of the sick poor in our hospitals but at present the general fund is too low to provide for that. So in order to increase our usefulness, a concert will be given on May 18 by Miss Anna DeMilla, the harpist who delighted a large audience in our city last fall.

Miss DeMilla will be assisted by her father, a fine violinist, and together they will render a program designed to suit every taste. A committee has been appointed to canvass our city, and as they give their time and labor because of their interest in the work, it is hoped that our citizens will respond as generously as they always have in the past for without the unselfish support of our citizens the work done by the Woman's Christian Association would not be possible. The price of tickets will be 25 cents

DICK'S NAME GOES ON

Cleveland, O., May 10.—Judge Babcock today refused to make permanent the injunction restraining election boards from printing the name of Charles Dick on the primary ballot as a candidate for United States senator. Dick's name goes on.

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POPULAR COLORS

Pink and mauve are now the most fashionable shades in flowers, and the flower farmers of the Women's Agricultural and Horticultural union have been advised to grow plenty of pink and purple flowers for this year's market.

A season or two ago, when yellow

drawing rooms were in vogue, yellows and rich bronzes were the favorite tints in flowers. A change in furnishing fashions is said to be responsible for the vogue of pink and purple blooms.

The old-world chintz patterns are being revived. Chairs are upholstered in flower patterned materials, in which reds, old roses, heliotropes

and purples softly blend. Curtains, wall paper and friezes, even china and pottery have come under the same color influence, and it is found that pink and mauve flowers give a better effect than yellow blooms in such a room.—New York American.

Mrs. I. N. Lohr has gone to Mansfield to have her eyes treated.

Their Right To Know

People who intrust their money to a bank want to know something of its financial strength. We fully recognize this right, and gladly furnish depositors with a list of our directors and stockholders. Then, from time to time, we publish reports showing the condition of the bank. Copies of these reports are kept on hand for those who wish to see them.

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